

Other Cultural Activities

Organizations: 820050 - 820100

	2013/14 Actual	2014/15 Current	2015/16 Requested	2015/16 Approved	Percent Change
Revenues					
Miscellaneous	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0%
General Fund	541,500	587,050	720,586	615,000	4.8%
Total	\$541,500	\$587,050	\$720,586	\$615,000	4.8%
Expenses					
Historical Museum	\$75,000	\$76,500	\$75,000	\$75,000	-2.0%
National Register	0	\$0	\$4,000	\$0	0%
Newton-Conover Auditorium	12,000	\$12,000	\$16,000	\$15,000	25.0%
Hickory Public Libraries	207,500	\$211,650	\$313,586	\$213,000	0.6%
Salt Block Foundation	100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	0.0%
United Arts Council	147,000	\$147,000	\$147,000	\$147,000	0.0%
The Catawbans Volume III	0	\$39,900	\$65,000	\$65,000	62.9%
Total	\$541,500	\$587,050	\$720,586	\$615,000	4.8%

Budget Highlights

The County provides annual funding to the United Arts Council, the designated County partner appointed by the North Carolina State Legislature to receive State funds, match them with local government funds, and sub grant them for cultural projects in Catawba County. Catawba County Funds are used to match North Carolina Grassroots Arts Funds for Projects Pool Grants.

Both the Salt Block (which houses the Arts and Science Center, the Hickory Museum of Art, the United Arts Council and funded affiliates) and the Newton-Conover Auditorium receive County funding toward the upkeep and maintenance of these facilities. Annual funding is also provided through the Catawba County Historical Association for the Historical Museum operating costs.

The budget continues funding to Patrick Beaver Library which allows County residents who live outside the City of Hickory to use the library free of charge. County and City library staff also partner to provide library programming and services to citizens.

Funding is included to complete *The Catawbans Volume III*.